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SUBJECT

Procedure re: applications from or in respect of Indian Airmen for their discharge from the Service on compassionate grounds.

Attn. Krishnan
26.2.44.

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3. Sir The Secy to the Govt of India in R.F. 265-42/Q1 A dated 8th July 44 forwarded a W.D. (Army Branch) letter dated 17th July 44 with enclosure on the above subject for Necessary action.

Sent forwarded. Copies with enclosures with Govt to the Govt. of Mysore, D.Cs with Secy Soldiers Boards for information and Necessary action, in continuation

Yours &c.

RS 4/9/44

Issued Nos. W 1806-19 dated 10.2.44 to the D.Cs of Dists, C.C., M.S.T., I.G.P., Secy, Mys. Soldiers Bd.

&c.

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No.R.F.265-42/G&A. Gl/382

From The Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore

To The Chief Secretary to the Government of
His highness the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore

Bangalore, 18th Feby. 1944.

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Applications from Indian Soldiers and their relations for discharge, leave or repatriation to India on compassionate grounds.

Sir,

I am directed to forward a copy of a letter from the Government of India, War Department (Army Branch), No.S634/A.G.XI(b), dated the 17th January 1944, with enclosures, for favour of necessary action.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

for SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT

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Letter from the Under Secretary to the Government of India War Department (Army Branch), No.8634/A.G.XI(b)., dated the 17th January 1944.

Applications from Indian Soldiers and their relations for discharge, leave or repatriation to India on compassionate grounds.

I am directed to forward copies of India Army Orders No.1114 of 1943, as amended by corrigendum list No.39, dated the 18th June 1943 and No.1943 of 1943, on the above subject, and to request that the Civil Authorities responsible for verification of applications for discharge leave, etc., may kindly be instructed, if there is no objection, to expedite their reports on receipt of the applications. Information received by the Central Government indicates that much delay occurs in the investigation of such cases by the civil authorities concerned.

Copies of India Army Orders No.1114 of 1943 (as amended by corrigendum list No.39, dated the 18th June 1943) and No.1943 of 1943.

I.A.O.1114/43. Applications from Indian soldiers and their relations for discharge or repatriation to India on compassionate grounds.

Applications for discharge on compassionate grounds received by units and record offices will be carefully examined and, if considered to be deserving, will be referred to the Civil authorities for investigation and report as under:-

(a) For soldiers residing in British India to the Deputy Commissioner/Collector of the District concerned.
(b) For soldiers resident in Jammu and Kashmir State to the Wazir Wazarat concerned.
(c) For soldiers resident in Hyderabad State to the first Talukdar of the District concerned.
(d) For soldiers resident in Rajputana States to the Civil Liaison Officer, Rajputana and Ajmer-Merwara, Ajmer, for onward transmission to the appropriate State Official.
(e) For soldiers resident in other Indian States to the State official responsible for the verification of recruits as shown on the reverse of I.A.F.K.1152.

2. The machinery employed in making the investigation, viz., District Soldiers' Board, or civil official etc., is a matter for the Deputy Commissioner/Collector/State official to decide.

3. On receipt of an application, it has been arranged that the Deputy Commissioner/Collector/State official will cause the necessary investigation to be made and then furnish a report to the unit stating whether the circumstances contained in the application are true and whether the discharge is recommended on extreme compassionate grounds. Only cases of genuine hardship in which the family cannot carry on without the help of the soldier will be recommended by civil authorities the report will be signed by the Deputy Commissioner/Collector/State official concerned himself in the case of Viceroy's commissioned officers, while in the case of Indian other ranks and non-combatants (enrolled and un-enrolled), it may be signed by a gazetted officer on his behalf.

4. On receipt of the report from the Civil authority concerned and if strongly recommended, the application accompanied by the Civil report will be forwarded by the unit or record office to the authority competent to authorise discharge whose decision will be final.

5. Similarly applications for repatriation to India will be forwarded by record offices to Deputy Commissioners/Collectors/State officials (the Resident in Kashmir in the case of soldiers belonging to Jammu and Kashmir State) for investigation and transmission to Headquarters overseas forces, as required by I.A.O. 286/41.

6. I.A.O. 2059/42 as amended by corrigendum No.4, dated 23-10-42 is cancelled.

No.8634/A.G.XI(b).

I.A.O.1943/43. Applications from Indian soldiers, serving in India or overseas, and their relatives for leave on extreme compassionate grounds.

The procedure laid down in I.A.O.1114/43 as amended by corrigendum list No.39 dated the 18th June 1943 for the verification of applications for discharge or repatriation on compassionate grounds will also be followed in case of verification of applications for leave on extreme compassionate grounds.

The authority competent to grant leave of this nature will however be the Officer Commanding Unit/Training Centre/Depot/ Record Office concerned.

I.A.O. 1547/1943 is hereby cancelled.

No.10292/A.G.XI(a)

GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

No. W 1806-17/W 120-43-4 (Enc 1) General and Revenue Secretariat,

Dated Bangalore, 10th February 1944.

FROM

The Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

To Bangalore.

The Deputy Commissioners of Districts.
" C.C.M.S.T.
" I.G.P.
" Secy, Mys. Soldiers Bd, Blore.

SIR,

Applications from Indian Soldiers and their relations for discharge, leave or repatriation to India on compassionate grounds.

In continuation of this office letter No. 1207-18/W 120-43-2, dated 1st December 1943, on the above subject, I am directed to forward herewith, for information and necessary action, a copy of letter No. 8634/A.G.AI(b)., dated the 17th January 1944 from the Under Secretary to the Government of India, War Department (Army Branch)

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

For Chief Secretary to Government.

MCK.

Copy of letter No. 4838/ ... I(b)., dated the 17th January 1944, from the Secretary to the Government of India, War Department (Army Branch).

Application from Indian soldiers and their relations for ... leave or repatriation to India on compassionate grounds.

I am directed to forward herewith for information and guidance a copy of Army Instructions (India) No. 1114 of 1943, as amended by corrigendum list No.39, dated the 15th June 1944, and No.1643 of 1944, on the above subject, and to request that the civil authorities responsible for verification of applications for furlough, leave, etc., may kindly be instructed, if they see no objection, to expedite their reports on receipt of the applications. Information received by the Central Government indicates that much delay occurs in the investigation of such cases by the civil authorities concerned.

Copy of Army Instructions (India) No. 1114 of 1943 (as amended by corrigendum slip No.39, dated the 15th June 1944) and No. 1643 of 1944.

A.I. (India) 1114/43 — Applications from Indian soldiers for their relations for discharge or repatriation to India on compassionate grounds.

Applications for discharge on compassionate grounds received by units and record offices will be carefully examined and, if considered to be deserving, will be referred to the civil authorities for investigation and report as to whether

(a) the soldier's presence in his home in the capacity of breadwinner/cultivator of the district concerned.

(b) the soldier's return to his home is likely to result in the family's starvation or destitution.

(c) the soldier's return to his home is likely to result in the death of the soldier or his family concerned.

(d) the soldier's return to his home is likely to result in the death of his wife, children and near relatives, other than those mentioned in (c) above, through the prevalence of epidemic disease.

(e) the soldier's return to his home is likely to result in the total destruction or permanent damage of property owned by him.

2. The authority employed in the investigation, i.e., village official etc., in each case

for the Deputy Commissioner/ Director/ to fulfil the decision.

3. On receipt of an application, it was agreed that the Deputy Commissioner/ Director/ to be officer will cause the necessary investigation to be made and then forward a report to the Unit stating whether the circumstances contained in the application are true and whether the leave should be granted on extreme compassionate grounds. Any cases of genuine hardship in which the family is not only without help of the soldier will be submitted by civil authorities. The report will be signed by the Deputy Commissioner/ Director/ the officials of the Department of Labour, Emergency Officers, Welfare Officers, Women's Auxiliaries, Secretaries of Indian Associations, Members of Legislatures, or any responsible person authorised by a gazetted officer on his behalf.

4. On receipt of report from the civil authority concerned in each case, the application accompanied by the civil report will be forwarded by the Unit or Office to the authority competent to grant leave and other papers will be filed.

5. All fully applicable cases for repatriation to India will be forwarded by record office to Deputy Commissioners/ Director/ State officials (two copies) on behalf of the case of soldiers belonging to Indian Army for investigation and recommendation to Headquarters Overseas forces, as required by I.A. .205/41.

C. L. . .2053/4 as amended by corrigendum No.4, dated 23-11-4 in full.

No.1634/... 2(b).

I.A. .194/43 Special cases for Indian soldiers, serving in India or Overseas, and other special cases for leave on extreme compassionate grounds.

The procedure laid down in I.A. A114/43 as revised by corrigendum list No.33 of the 15th June 1943 for the verification of applications for discharge or registration on compassion to join wife and children and case of verification of applications for leave on extreme compassionate grounds.

The authority competent to grant leave of the kind here will however be the officer commanding Unit/Training Centre/ Depot/ Record Office concerned.

I.A. .1547/1,43 is hereby cancelled.

No.1.12/... 1(a).

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